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NOTICE OF AMENDMENT TO LOCAL RULE 32(b) AND LOCAL RULE 32.1

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS AND NOTICE OF AMENDMENT

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2071(e), the court has determined that there is an immediate need for the attached amendment to Local Rule 32(b) and the deletion of Local Rule 32.1.

Local Rule 32(b) is being amended to permit the filing of a Windows-based CD or DVD as an alternative to a 3 1/2" disk. The change is necessitated by advances in technology. Additions are shown in *italics*; deletions are shown in *strikeout* print.

Local Rule 32.1 is being deleted to eliminate any inconsistency with revised Local Rule 32(b) and also because the rule is currently under evaluation given advances in technology.

These amendments are effective immediately. The Court of Appeals invites public comments on the amendments. Comments should be received by January 30, 2006 and addressed to:

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Local Rule 32. Briefs, Petitions for Rehearing, and Other Papers: Computer Generated Disk Requirements

(b) The brief, petition for rehearing, and, in addition, all other papers exceeding 10 pages in length must be *in WordPerfect* on a *Windows-based* 3 ½" disk, *CD*, *or DVD* in either DOS WordPerfect or WordPerfect for Windows, 5.1 or greater.